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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2002, finally rejecting claims 1-23, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as shown below.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-23 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter 05/05/2002 13/14 NO. 552 085-005-001 50-0740 09611320 contained therein.

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested. Applicants note that claims 24-33 have been allowed by the Examiner. Upon entry of the foregoing amendment,